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For MOBILE TERMINAL DEVICE AND METHOD OF UPDATING PROGRAM

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 through 1.98 and pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following documents, cited in an Office Action for the corresponding European Patent Application and listed in the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. Copies of the listed documents are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner.

This citation does not constitute an admission that the references are relevant or material to the claims. They are only cited as constituting related art of which the applicant is aware.

In compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(3), as a concise statement of relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in 35 U.S.C. 1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information, the undersigned attorney of record submits the following:

1) English language abstracts of each of the foreign language documents.

The abstracts describe the subject matter set forth in the foreign language document. Each of the documents pertains to mobile communications.

2) With respect to H11-289959, this document discloses the conventional method of

updating the program stored in the mobile terminal to obtain the new version of the program. The updating method is that only a difference between the old version of the program stored in the mobile terminal and the new version of the program is selectively updated. In the method, the updated data transmitted from the base station through the radio section is down-loaded into the mobile terminal for updating the program stored in the mobile terminal.

3) With respect to H11-239094, this patent discloses the conventional method of updating the program stored in the mobile terminal to obtain the new version of the program. The updating method is that the entirety of the program is updated. In the method, the updated data transmitted from the base station through the radio section is down loaded into the mobile terminal for updating the program stored in the mobile terminal.

4) EP0802694 corresponds to JP10-94051 and provides an English language version thereof.

5) EP0905991 corresponds to JP3045118 and provides an English language version thereof.

It is respectfully requested that the listed references be considered by the Examiner and be formally made of record in the application.

Respectfully submitted,



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